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Letter dated 26 February 2018 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith information bulletins from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic for the period 21–26 February 2018 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) V. **Nebenzia**

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Annex to the letter dated 26 February 2018 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (21 February 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported 17 incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: 11 in Damascus, 5 in Ladhiqiyah and 1 in Homs.

The Turkish representative office has reported eight incidents of gunfire: seven in Damascus Governorate and one in Hama Governorate.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the Nusrah Front terrorist group.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out two humanitarian operations in Ayn Shiqaq, Ladhiqiyah Governorate, and Khatyn, Aleppo Governorate. Food with a total weight of 2.3 tons was delivered to the local population.

In total, 1,757 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,460.9 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 211 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 71,184 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, a ceasefire agreement has been signed with Qasabiyah, Uraynibah and Sutuh al-Dayr in Idlib Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,367.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (22 February 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported 22 incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: 11 in Damascus, 5 in Ladhiqiyah, 3 in Aleppo, 2 in Homs and 1 in Dar'a.

The Turkish representative office has reported 17 incidents of gunfire in Damascus Governorate.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the Nusrah Front terrorist group.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

The Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has not carried out any humanitarian operations over the past 24 hours.

In total, 1,757 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,460.9 tons.

Two United Nations humanitarian convoys were dispatched to Khajmi and Tayyibah, Dar'a Governorate, to deliver cargo with a total weight of 123 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 74 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 71,258 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, a ceasefire agreement has been signed with Tall al-Khatib in Aleppo Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,368.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (23 February 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported 14 incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: 7 in Damascus, 5 in Ladhiqiyah and 2 in Aleppo.

The Turkish representative office has reported five incidents of gunfire in Damascus Governorate.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusrah Front and Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian operation in Kafr Ram in Homs Governorate. Food with a total weight of 1.5 tons was delivered to the local population.

In total, 1,758 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,462.4 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 123 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 71,396 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

No ceasefire agreements have been signed with populated areas over the past 24 hours.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process is unchanged — it is still 2,368.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (24 February 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported 15 incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: 10 in Damascus, 3 in Ladhiqiyah, 1 in Aleppo and 1 in Suwayda'.

The Turkish representative office has reported nine incidents of gunfire in Damascus Governorate.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters belonging to terrorist groups.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

The Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has not carried out any humanitarian operations over the past 24 hours.

In total, 1,758 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,462.4 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 78 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 71,474 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, a ceasefire agreement has been signed with Rujaylah in Aleppo Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,369.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (25 February 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported 18 incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: 12 in Damascus, 4 in Ladhiqiyah and 2 in Aleppo.

The Turkish representative office has reported four incidents of gunfire: three in Damascus Governorate and one in Idlib Governorate.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters belonging to terrorist groups.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

The Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has not carried out any humanitarian operations over the past 24 hours.

In total, 1,758 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,462.4 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 72 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 71,546 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, 17 ceasefire agreements have been signed with populated areas in Homa Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,386.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (26 February 2018)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported 16 incidents of gunfire.

The Turkish representative office has reported four incidents of gunfire in Damascus Governorate.

Most of the incidents of mortars and small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters belonging to terrorist groups.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian operation in a populated area in Dayr al-Zawr Governorate. Food with a total weight of 1.9 tons was delivered to the local population.

In total, 1,759 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,464.3 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 65 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 71,611 persons.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, ten ceasefire agreements have been signed with populated areas in Hama Governorate and Idlib Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,396.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.